

Boston Nov 10. 1851

My dear Jane.

Many thanks for the
english Oak portable case for Books, which you have
sent to me. It is very useful and ornamental;
sound at heart, and highly polished.

I regard it, as an appropriate memorial of the
accomplished donor: to be preserved with all the
care that the Recipient of eighty three years, can be
supposed to possess.

With the thanks, I give you

(my dear Jane) the Blessing, of your affectionate

Grand father

Samuel Putnam.

To Mrs Jane Loring Gray.

more comfortably than last time
and have mounted a pony
carriage to drive about in

Ever yours most sincerely

George Bentham

D^r Gray will find that De Boloni
makes a new *Leptidea* of *Stichelia*
and two new *boraras* of
Rhynchosia dominutum -

Portobello House
Hastings
March 10 1852

Dear M^r Gray

It was very stupid in me to
have a blank for the very point
of my letter - however it may
have this good effect that if Dr
Gray was well frightened he may
have imagined the amount greater
than it is and may properly be
relieved at hearing that it is
£ 2. 10. 6 - which with £ 5. 14. 6
for Spence's plants makes £ 8. 5. 0
but do not let him know kindly
to send it at any rate till he
has received and seen the book
and plants - I have just sent
you £ 60 which I have
already received for him - and
the bookseller can easily wait.

I will send to Liverpool
this week a box containing
these things - I hoped to have

looked out a few specimens to go with them but have been too busy as yet

Tell the Doctor Trapelus section
his little pond with very
interesting species.

I had a long letter lately
from Matties and Wallie
news from him frequently.
He writes in excellent spirits
about his family his "crowd
of three daughters" his occupation
as "educator of a son" his performances
on the violin etc. but says
nothing of his wife who I presume
is going on well. Wallie says
the great dead weight upon him
is his great work ^{on} of DeLoys
which though finished he
cannot sell to his satisfaction.

DeCandolle has just finished
printing his *Botanicon* - which in
many respects will clash with our

be forestalled by other's labour
as there are still Plantagines to
plant before De Caen's return
can be out. — De Caen is now
lecturing on botany to an audience
of about 40 ladies and a few gentlemen.

I find the paper excellent
and am quite ashamed to ask
Dr. Gray to read me the 3 long
bundles he speaks of in the
same way as before.

Many thanks for the kind
enquiries - all are well including
Hans. - I wish you were both
here again. I often think of the
last day we went in to dinner
when I little thought it would be
the last time of our seeing you. I
trust however you will soon
day visit Europe again - Our
crossing the Atlantic is now
quite out of the question - We
could I hope receive you now

Mr. Costa

Mrs. Gray
Dr. Gray
Cambridge

London June 25. 1852

My dear Mrs. Gray

I was charmed to see your
hands writing & my dear associate
& I was happy with your friend
Dr. Albro, but he was not so with
us, & left us for the Continent in
a hurry, believing that there was
some trouble about us, & that
he should get into a difficulty with
us by cutting our acquaintance.
I did all I could to comfort him,
but your & Dr. Gray & Cambridge
have had troubled his spirits,
& I am quite sure if it had not
been for the desire of the thing, he
would have turned his back on
Europe, & have been among you
at a time when he faces, where
he may be I know not. I suppose
he is in Germany. - Tell him

Buy the plants we have here his tickets.
Admirer ours here you take a round to buy
App's paper. - Brown has a round of
you can help poor certificates, and those great
visits you both Brown. He is poor. And
any of you rich make take any of his
works for poor people's opinionate libraries?
Brown says the ^{old} volumes enough had for
£.0.5. - Brown £.0.5. - Brown for £.0.5.

cryptogamia for H. —
There are such a number that drift
water is required to a van -
sufficient water above river Norwich
Gave us off yesterday. She took more it has
been over off some years.

My wife often thinks home in the evenings, 5
weeks. - M. B. is to take care of Sa in
their absence. My dear wife takes care
of her 8th year to day, this as well as 9
have known her for the last 15 years.
I have not heard from the Commissaries since
when B. passed thro' Paris. B. is
well & B. is well

With all my love.
Dare to dream boy - & with my
mother & I. We are here to you both
Jane Allen & G. Booth

John Gray

Ms. B. 9. 2. v. 22-53
the most severe self-censure, for it cut me
off from every social joy - but I determined
upon this as the most honourable course. A
few days, however, served to convince the
father of my dear friend, that matters had
gone too far for such a violent separation;
& since he believed, as I really do, myself,
that the happiness of his child was in peril,
I placed myself, in his hands, as to the other
alternative, & he accepted me frankly, &
with all love, as every member of his
large family have also done. For myself,
notwithstanding the disparity of our years,
I have, personally, every reason to rejoice
in the affection of an earnest, devoted heart.
I have not been smitten by a pretty face;
for that is not in question, but have attached
myself to a devoted girl, who believes that her
happiness is best promoted by connecting her
lot with mine. She is not a gay - but a
good & quiet girl, & at her own wish &
suggestion we shall live some distance
from the city - I have thus to rare, in all
the frankness of a pure friendship, all that
I myself know & feel with reference to my
unexpected position, & whilst I ask consideration
for what I have urged in explanation, I do not

desire you to recall me of such a painful
recollection, as I have just now
had in view. I have no leisure to write
at present, & my leisure compels me to
leave you with my best regards & a
humble & affectionate regards to your
dear friends. I will see you - and will
have you in my thoughts & in my
prayers. I will be at Cambridge - house, on a
subject not little congenial to the pursuits
of business - but I am anxious that you, &
the good Doctor should hear first from me
of my intended marriage. It will be of interest to all who
are concerned in my affairs, as I allow
myself to believe that you both are, in no
small degree. It is not improbable, how-
ever, that you will have already heard from
the Doctor of the purpose of this letter
as well as I wrote to Mrs. F. by the
last packet. It was in due time that I wrote
not also addressed to you as I finished & intended.
Well then, my news is this - I am
engaged to a daughter of my senior partner,
who is between 25 & 26 years of age.
Of course, the Doctor will shake his wise
head - whilst you will laugh, & think, if

Wimford Court -
Sandgate -
22nd April 1853.

You do not call me - a great goose, & one whose mature experience has done but little for him. Be this as it may - I frankly admit that my dear little Fiancée is much too young for me, & I have even set before her, very frankly, that the makes a sacrifice of youth in connecting herself with my grey hairs - of which she has not the fear before her eyes. Had I set about deliberately to look for a wife, I shant not have made what I will allow you to call so imprudent a choice, but, in the first place, I never dreamt of marrying at all - and still less the object of my present attachment; who is my godchild - with whom I have conversed for years, when in America, & who was the first to welcome me to her father's house, where (tho' I have ostensibly chambers of my own) I have, resided, in the main, ever since I have been in England. She received me with a romantic & affectionate greeting - never doubting, in her innocence, that she could, & would be a daughter to me,

& I - (with far less excuse on the score of inexperience) never imagined that she could be otherwise than a dear self-created daughter to me. Well - matters went on in this way, for 2 or 3 months - But, at last, the scales fell from my eyes! I found & felt that she had not given me the love of a daughter, merely, nor can I say that my own sensations were at all those of paternity - I felt, with pain, the difficulty of my position - which was, I assure you, one of which I had never contemplated the bare possibility! I had but two alternatives, to tear myself violently from the family, with the whole of whom I have lived on terms of the utmost love & kindness, or to place myself in different relations with them - my personal honour, & my affections required the utmost care over toward my dear friend & partner, & I placed myself entirely in his hands, but with the suggestion, on my own part - that, the view which I took of his daughter's real interests rendered it desirable for me to absent myself from the family - This was, of course an act of

as my husband is
always scolding me for
having no pins about,
& now I shall file my
pin cushion & keep it on
the table as a pleasant
memorial of you -

Charles joins me in kinder
remembrances to Professor
Gray & believe me
yours very sincerely

Emma Darwin
My sons wish to join in
kind regards to you & Dr Gray.

[postmarked Oct 30 71]

Down.
Bromley.
Kent. S. E.

Oct 28.

My dear Mrs Gray

Our sons arrived
at home, after a good
voyage, last Thursday; &
you may imagine what
a great deal of talk we
have had about America
& all the enjoyment they
have had, & above all
what I think was the

cream of the whole, their
visit at Cambridge &

the extreme kindness they
met with from you & Dr
Gray & all their friends.

The whole will be a thing
to remember all their lives.

Mr Darwin has unluckily
been very unwell to receive
them, which has spoilt our
enjoyment, but we have
a great meeting of the

whole family, including
our married daughter
who is just returned from
Switzerland.

How dreadful the fire
at Chicago was & yet these
country fires in the forests
are much more appalling
hopeless to escape from.

My sister joins me in
thanking you for the
pretty & curious present.
Mine is particularly a pretty

[with Emma Darwin Oct 28 '71]

P. S. Mr Darwin
desires me to thank
Dr Gray for his kind
note, & for your most
hospitable invitation
^{my sons}
to ~~them~~ do come to
your house, at a
time too when Dr
Gray was so overwhelmed
with business -

I cannot help being
glad that owing to
not understanding at
first the extent of
your hospitality you
were spared the
additional trouble
of having them in
your house -

39. Lincoln's Inn Fields.

October the 10th 1881.

My dear Dr. Saenger
We are now
quite settled in Abomey
again, and we hope
that you also are returned
to home, and so that you
& Prof. Saenger will
give us the pleasure of

Dear Mr. Garrison

your company at dinner
on Friday the 21st at
half past seven o'clock?

You will find our little
Baby Virginia wonderfully
improved! and leaving all
now till we meet, I will
only now add love, and
believe me

Yours affectionately

J. Rosetta Flower.

great deal of interest in
his works.

Hoping to hear a good
account of you soon,
& with love & every
good wish, believe me,

Dear Mrs Gray,
Yours always affecly,

Annette S. Carey.



7, ELIOT PLACE,
BLACKHEATH. S.E.

18th Dec: 1875.

My dear Mrs Gray,
It seems a long
time since I heard any-
thing of you. I hope you
are keeping fairly well.
I am looking forward
to receiving your usual
Christmas letter before long,
& shall be so glad to
hear news of you. I

hopes this letter will reach you just at Christmas time, so that it may convey to you my love & very best wishes both for Christmas & the New Year. So far we have had a very mild season here, hardly any frost & no snow, but we

generally get the best weather in January. We are all well, I am glad to say. My Aunt has not been very strong lately, but is better. Herbert comes home from London early evening, very tired, but he has a very good appointment & takes a

Broom House.
Fulham.

Dear Mrs Gray
Could your visit
time be fixed for
Monday the 8th and
stay as long as you
can I am much
pleased to effect

L. Subwain

R.S.V.P.

—

July 25

Charlie as you call him should never have come near me when
he was in the state for ages? For he did come near me enough
now but he neither stopped nor turned to snake round with me
nor seemed disposed to notice me more than in cold blood.
I was scared enough to bite him though I tried as pleasantly as I
could when he turned around to look behind him. I certainly thought
he would at least tell me how you were and the Doctor. But that's
the way with the "man-animal". There's no dependence to be placed on
them. I received your note however as you have found out already
and I was right glad to get it to Mr. waiting for it so long.
How in the world can Doctor Gray exist without you while you
are with your Father I'm sure? I don't see I don't believe he studies
one bit and so he might just as well as not know down in books
and that immediately for Boston instead of pretending an devotion to
Boston while you are away. But perhaps you have already gone
back to the Doctor and Harley right. It is a mystery to me that

you and ever bring your mind to leave them at all especially Bright

You must be of a very indifferent and vicious nature I'm thinking

For he was next to perfectly delighted to find not the letter

which Father wrote that Henry had been detained till it was too

late. That was a queer guess by himself Father was even more

disappointed when it failed. Then does seem to be some sort of ~~latent~~

staining your efforts to deprive yourself of that man's excellent services

It must be let he is to become a permanent member of your

family - I don't see why else no parent to remove him can succeed

Won't it be pleasant if we should be here if I should come next

summer I am afraid I will not be happy at the garden without

the "light & his presence" to be a fond of "kissing" at every - and

he. The Doctor got satisfied his anxiety as to whom he killed?

I hardly know what to say to you - I am so undecided

whether to think of you and write to you at Ashburton Place or

to locate you in my mind at home. If you are in Boston

I should ask you all about the little boy and beg you to send

me that book-mark immediately. I am already longing to be proudest

of little Pat and tell of his talent for drawing of to Derby's admiring

As soon as he located book-mark would I expect nothing less

than that Derby will fall immediately to making a dozen exactly like

it that he may be equal in industry to my little favorite in Boston

Thursday afternoon Somebody interrupted me just in the middle of writing to you the other day so I slipped to that post office into the next turned the key and walked off. Either I was so preoccupied that I didn't know what I was doing or else I was unusually careless for certain it is that I lost that key. There is a key sure I could tell, and it was one his moment that I found another that would fit the lock of my desk. I opened it, drew out again his letter, dipped my pen in the ink, and now I'm just where I left off.

I'm as busy as possible at present. Our German class in Prince ton have studied far beyond me during my absence so I have to be exceedingly diligent in raking up my German and scribbling away at exercises so that I may overtake them and yet not neglect my other languages. You've no idea how good a student I have become in a hurry though I am hardly credit for you to believe when I tell you after the specimen you see of the manner of my improving time.

How the Doctor set you at poison plant yet. for you must be home by this time I think - or he'll be promised

the service of Mary Canaan for that purpose and relieved you. I believe that name is now fit for the likes of me. Think of the straight of it! At any rate that's near enough. I told a big story (unintentionally) about that poison. It was the arsenic - not the cocaine. I think that was wrong to the Doctor. I was not make such a grand mistake after all. Then I was rather positive about that - but I was convinced I knew exactly what Father had used in his herbarium and so I spoke the more certainly. I only hope Doctor Gray has not gone to the trouble of applying the arsenic to any extent. It's well we didn't commence operation when I was there.

You must tell your Father how long I am that his foot is not well yet and give him my love if you will tell him. I shall not soon forget the pleasant evenings I passed at his house. You accustomed me so much to your kind care that I did not know how to do without it after I left you and not having anyone in New York who would take your place - as might have been expected, I took a violent cold here. It has assumed the various forms of "cough, influenza, and pain in the chest" so far ~~but~~ but they have all left me except the cough which promised to last a long while. You should see me sitting by the fire this rain snow weather toasting my feet and sipping Yen-Tea Tea - oh! I do congratulate you certainly on your being able to appear in that steel silk. What a shame that it was not finished before I departed.

was kindly to see and all the
more excellent and especially to
my father. I hope you will
have many more years well and
at Connecticut.

I don't think I was not very glad to receive your letter - because I have waited so long before answering it I could not possibly do so at first and after that, you went to Litchfield as I supposed I could not write to you there for I didn't know your direction exactly and I hardly considered my letter worth going to Boston and back to you again so I put it off until you should return home.

You will find it lovely at the garden now I know
the flowers must look beautifully, and the magnolias
are out just about this time. Ours have gone but
then we will a little in advance of you Mother.

This letter

How I would love to be there now - And you are so much better I know after your visit to Beverly and your jaunt to Litchfield and in such glorious spirits then you would not have to stay within doors all the time but could run about the garden walks and sit under those pretty trees with me

I tell you nothing would please me better than to accept my part of your kind invitation - especially now that the grand excitement is to come off at Cambridge. What a fine time one could have there in August attending the meetings and all - But the melancholy fact is that none of us can come I am I not sorry! The girls are afraid to venture about on account of the cholera and have refused several other invitations to leave home besides yours, because they did not dare pass through New York, Jane even relinquished the pleasure of visiting her beloved Westpoint

last month rather than expose herself to the epidemic Mother sends her love to you and says she really is not able to travel so far. The truth is she is extremely feeble and cannot bear the least exertion. She has even given up calling on her friends and can seldom walk as far as from our house to the gate without suffering for it afterwards

They all thank you very much for your invitation. You have no idea how anxious they are to see you I am questioned all the time about you What does she look like and what sort of a person is she? They keep asking me I have told them every thing I can think of or remember, dozen of times, but nothing satisfies them and I tell them now that you are perfectly indescribable and they cannot form ~~any~~ any idea of you without actually seeing you for themselves

As for me I have been sitting in this same study-chair in this same corner of the room for the last three months and expect to remain just so until old weather drives me out perhaps I feel as if I must make up for

Spending three months away last winter I assure you that I
lose very little daylight these days but evenings all have to
be - wasted - I was going to say - but I don't mean that - I mean
used for some other purpose than study - for I don't believe
after all that studying is the only important thing in the world
So you see I fear I shall not be able to go away this
summer Father will I suppose - but he will arrange all
that with the doctor very soon.

It's rather late in the day to congratulate you on having
an additional little niece to pet - but I couldn't do it
sooner How happy you ought to be - and when it is
old enough to make visits to you at Cambridge like those
other little folks there will be no bounds to your delight
I would love very much to see my little favorite again
- though I dare say they have forgotten me by this time

I have just thought of twenty things that I want - dreadfully
to say to you and ask you but I shall have to wait
now for another time I feel so under the weather today
that I can't add another page to these, and you must besides
think four enough - until - Give my love, please, to the

Nice with us. "The Doctor is a good man" as you used to say I can say the him with my own hand. I can no doubt of the fact & hope at some future time to be more acquainted with him. According to present appearances that with this family (of plants) & my friends are not likely to meet until soon (this last spring). -

Nice wants the pen to go & by

My dear Jane - Perhaps Charlie told you how I laughed over your note - I was very much amused at the time by the construction - but thought that you remarks were rather species as you say. I trust you did not get so fatigued by your visit to town that you will be unable to come again soon. Williams received a letter from Mary Brace today - in which she says that she is to be at the Depot tomorrow M^{rs}. & is going to Patrick's to stay. She wrote to William thinking her possibly she had misdirected Patrick's note & was anxious some one should meet her at the Depot. Mrs. Emery came & took Charlie's

Shirt - today I is to make
one for him & one for
your Father when I got the
pattern of his & if they don't fit
he is to go to the house & see
them on & alter them. With-
regard to the pleating of the bosoms -
I have heard that the fine plaits
are out of date & all
the shirts I have seen lately have
been plaited quite plainly & wide.
"had a set of 9 made for Mr.
Allen wide plain plaits & like
them better than the fine. I shall
ask your Father what he prefers
however & Charlie says he prefers
the plain way. I purchased -
6 $\frac{1}{2}$ yards of fine linen as you told
me to get that quantity & 1 of rather
coarser. I sympathize with you
most fully, dear Jane, in your
feelings about keeping quiet &
acknowledge that besides having the
luxury of perfect health, I am

another compensation which
I find make my confinement
much, much less disagreeable
than yours. Still I can scarcely
say I am ever weary excepting
for the hope I have that I may
be repaid - for failing well, I
am sometimes longing to go out
& breathe the fresh air - but can
neither ride or walk. This past
all my friends & kind in Oming
see me I think sometimes but rather
rarely, for I seldom see Mr. Allen between
8 $\frac{1}{2}$ & 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ & then in the Mth he
is working at the law. But
Isa & Anna Kelly, Aunt Sarah & ^{and Anna}
before Remond's death, Nancy & Mary
too have been exceedingly kind in
Oming & then I always see Mother
& Augusta especially of my fair days -
not lately. Mother has been ill with
a bad cold & a cold. I hope you will
enjoy Miss May's visit - You must
send her into town with the Dr. if
you get tired at any time, & let her

Envelope Mrs. Mary Botanic Garden Jan.
Dec. 1942

Sunday D.

My dear little Janie.

How grieved I am to hear such sad accounts of you and much as I wish I could go & see you - but that cannot be & I must content myself with writing - They tell me that you are very lonely - Why don't you invite Mary Hale or Mary Pickens to stay with you? As you are so intimate with them they would be no care & some comfort. I think however, as far as I can judge, that a much better plan would be, for Dr. Gorham to keep one of his libraries private, and you go down stairs in the morning, as I do, and thru all day. You can have one of those charming couches drawn in & watch him & be amused by seeing him work. Certainly no strangers need intrude when you have so many rooms - & if your friends call & you do not wish see them in the library,

You could, without fatigue, walk into the parlor. It seems to me that it would be much better for you. I am sure I am much more pleasantly (delightfully) situated this winter than last, when I kept above stairs entirely. Your stairs are so easy that the mice going up at night & down in the morning will be of no consequence. I make my parlor a real dressing room & the my fire ring round whatever I want in the course of the day. How soon is Mr. Bay going? I long to hear that he has gone; for, however pleasant he may be - you ought not thank any one except a lady friend in the house. You could more easily be in the library if he were not there. I am stating my opinion clear without being asked, but I hope you will continue to be less lonely. William bought you his invitation for Christmas Day which he will depend upon accepting - I hope to be in a state to be useful (kind & polite). But I am getting on so well that I feel quite encouraged. I am very busy

I do nothing for myself. Will is lady maid, Muse & David boy & such a darling. I havent seen Sue since I saw you, but Patrick tells me she is nicely & walks me fully. I children we have last Sunday - how Charlie has bleached! What are you reading? if you want any novels I can tell you of some interesting ones. Grantham is well worth reading, but quite exciting. They don't read Chancery & Counter claims - I think it the most disagreeable book I ever read. I am told that Dr. Channing's life is very interesting & mean to read it. If you have any book that you would like, pray say so. Only think! I can't have a piano from Cheekering yet present, he has not one - Uncle Charles says I may play so I am quite disappointed. Do you hear from Aunt Mary lately? I write very much to her about her. Give my love to Dr. Gray - I am hoping to hear you feel better after you get through with the balloon - it always makes me feelretchedly - Tell me true Jane does

Beverly July 29th 49.

Our beloved professor came & dined with us yesterday & was fearing & would have stayed, but did not wish to leave the house at Land ridge alone all night. He looks remarkably well & was extremely enteraining. The Sedgwick's passed the day with us & Mrs. Knott & Miss Mary also.

Miss S. regretted very much not seeing you & Mr. Sedgwick deserved to be remembered by you & feared you might have forgotten him. They all seemed to enjoy the day exceedingly & Miss M. took them upon rough sketches - all very good. The Doctor brought two boxes of beautiful flowers which were most acceptable for in the morning I was obliged to arrange the vase with green only - there were no flowers worth cutting in the garden. Aunt Lizzie Putnam left us

Yesterday - We have all enjoyed her visit, & I especially because she comes advise me about the baby - tho' the little creature is perfectly well since her ~~tham~~ ~~man~~ ~~fitjts~~ - somewhat over her. You were not forgotten by us in our long ~~silting~~
I mean I discussed much thoroughly the best means of preventing a cure. My method is to have you come here (providing always the ~~it~~ ~~you~~ come by my way.) & not allow you ~~last~~ ~~to~~ have an individual boat & then try the going out in the boat and getting terribly sea sick! I really believe that to be the best cure for you. I feel as if I could nurse you nicely & do let me try to repay in some small measure your kindness to me? Anne Brinley called on us on Friday & looked very well - she has a fine baby whom I have not seen. Lizzie B. came with her & looked miserably. It is quite a difficult matter to entertain strangers with a young infant - let the dinner hour be when it's nice, then it's sure to wake up & must be nursed so I had her fed at the dinner hour on Saturday & the consequence is, she

is not like herself today. Mr. Brace is here - Charlie
but I believe they both return tomorrow. Your
Father intends going for you on Tuesday -
then, unless Augusta comes along, we shall
be quite alone. The place never looked more
beautifully than it does this summer not-
withstanding the drought. and I never enjoyed
it more alto' I do not walk much -
Cows always should keep quiet, you know. I have
sufficient nourish meat for her & Uncle Charles
& Aunt Jessie enough because I have such an
abundance. I have lost some flesh but am
still rather out size. The baby has just returned
from a long walk and as she says in
realy seemed to say "drink drink" - so ^{she is giving} you her
some water & she is delighted. Why should
they not be healthy as well as we? Milk is so
very sweet. I hope Emma is better & wish you
would remember me kindly when. Dear Aunt
Mary has her hands full indeed, how cheerfully
& lovingly she does all. I am very sorry you
think you must come home ^{at} this time & trust you
will not suffer from fatigue. William wishes me

to give his best love to you dear & I must
now say goodby - with my love & best regards
& Emma & my respects to Miss Price
believe me ever affly - ^{Lizzie}

See & her family are very well.

July 27th 42

Mrs. H. Gray
Litchfield Conn.

little thing has cut another
loath & is as "good as gold." —
He has decided to go to Boston
for good & all on either Thursday
or Wednesday of next week -
& if convenient to you, shall go to
Cumberland on Monday ~~of the~~
following - ~~that is if I look decently.~~
I am going to take some baths on
the last day of the week & now
& try to soften my complexion
sufficiently to go to you. But I am
sure if I look as I do now
I had best give it up.

Father dined with
me today, and said the leaves
quite bright, & the children were very
glad to see him. Patriot said
he hoped to come down some day
this week with them.

You don't know
what an improvement the paths
are & they are beautifully laid out.
Give my love to my dear
brother Professor Sheller we
all send our most affly yrs.
C. H. Hassell

Beverly Monday

Dear Jessie -

Thank you for your
kind note. I am very sorry
that you took the trouble to
write so long a note when you
had so much to do & required
rest so much. What a dinner
party you had! I think it
must have been delightful -
but I am really afraid you
will feel the fatigue now that it
is all over. You are very kind
to offer us a similar entertainment -
merely when we go to you. We assure
you that no such allurement is
necessary. Wm. I both anticipate
much pleasure from merely seeing
you & the Dr. I'd will please
both of us more to have you rest

to keep well. I think your visit
of course must have been as joyful,
the same was delicious when
served - I am sure you ought
to quite pride yourself upon
both your cooking, arrangements -
and more than all besides, your
cheerfulness & willingness to make
so much exertion when feeling so
wretchedly. I know you will miss
Mary very much - I missed you
both very much when you had gone -
What a pretty attention of Mary!
and Mr. William thinks table
sweeps quite unnecessary & a
piece of extravagance - I do not.
We all enjoyed your visit extremely
& now let me assure you of
our desire to receive you all on
Thursday. We do hope you
will have good weather & have
all the party will be able
to come. I shall like Mr. Hauney,
I know, from your description, -
all English men are charming

according to your ideas - But, I
know what you mean. The gentlemen
say they will certainly manage
to carry you gentlemen out in
the boat - We intend staying
Tom & Will enjoy the expedition
exceedingly. Poor Charlie is vastly
disappointed that he did not
accomplish a journey to Cambridge
before Mary left you - he did
intend to go tomorrow but will
not now, probably. I have been
covering the sofa today with
Mrs. Shissel's hindrance (not help).
I am going to make her turn
the carpet tomorrow - Father says
tell Jane it will depend upon
the weather whether we can launch
the sail boat, if it should be rough
it would not be possible - but we
can the row boat, I will. Ricie is
finely & I thank you for taking
me side in the important dis-
cussion now before the public.
My mind is the same - the same

Pass. St. Gray.
Cambridge.

plants have lost some of their beauty! I did hope
you would come to Cambridge
today - but though, when
the morning came, Mac
advised me strongly to go to
Fellows' first & as I was
to dinner at Felt's too, I
had to postpone the
visit. I can't believe Mac
would do the same -
I had not forgotten
you invited me when you wrote
earlier, briefly, - I was in
expectation of sending skins for
them. For cotton plants I
wrote you yesterday & only Jan 10th.

as good - but if you do not
want it I can find many
many uses for it - & shall be
glad of it.

As regards I
think they nice & mean to
get myself a skirt of the same.

How I do pity the
Babes! I will give them
all Kittie's new York dresses
to make - I was just commending
them - & will finish one & send
it as a pattern - & if you
wish to see them they are to
be for you & you may & I
will try to finish it by Wednesday.
Any - to send by Stratton or
had I best let you send it
in your name?

I will mention
them to others & one day

can get work for them.
Catharine sends too &
here & will continue to mention.
I think there is still
to go on you with much
time day when nothing else
happened - if have time comes to
pass. P.S. I am now I am

so glad you is with you -
Liddle Kittie sends a kiss to
both of you - She grows quite
knowing & mimics her Papa
& Mamma wonderfully.

I was such a hussy to
forget the fluey! I wonder
you design to write to me.
I am at last in order -
Only you sympathise? I think
the number of No 15 in this will
surpasses credibility - offaly I

mine, worked all round with
embroidery braid. — Would you
like a white cashmere hood lined
with white silk & worked with
white braid in the style of the next
brought home to Kirk? You shall
have it for \$1.50 now the Fair is over
& they are selling at half price —
I had half a mind to get a cap for
Willie crocheted in imitation of chinc
Chilla, it was very cunning — But I
never dare to get things for children
without mamma — My doll sold for
\$2.00! a regular sponge I think — The
Pratts spent over \$17.00. Mrs. Nathan Up-
leton bought my Shetland shawl
for \$15.00 —

I am afraid I shall scarcely see
Beverly - I have taken a heavy cold with
all these changes of weather & my face
bonnet - How suddenly cold it grew - And
then my new skirt only came last evening.

I don't want either to run away from Boston just as I have a
choice of ice & ventilation, I have seen nothing of them
as yet - And if it is
going to be necessary add.
I am not at
all pleased
to make this
kind close upon
as - least to you.
the children.

Yours
John G. Green
Friday Morn

(New York)

Dear Algie,

I send to the office
the basket & coiffure that you
may dispose of them as you
like - The baskets come to
\$6.00 - If your Aunt thinks them
too high she can return them
to me, for they are in great de-
mand - Not having heard from
you I was just on the point of
selling them - I had sold the
other coiffure before I got your
note - But I think this one as
pretty - It is \$7.00 - Our Fair has

been very successful \$2,260. deposited in the bank last night!

I stole some little things to come in - I suppose expenses will be \$40 500 - we closed last night

I could have sold twice as many baskets, & tatting collars & spider mitts! - There was quite a rush for them - I got so interested that I kept my table much longer than I intended - I sold all my importations but one of my London tidies, & a few children's mitts - Aunt Sally has taken two pair of them to day - Would you care for a pair for Kitty? They are \$1.25 - Susan's beautiful chenille work was unsold, & some of my head-

dresses - Do you know anyone who would like the tidy? It is em-broidered with dark braid on white muslin, & is a very pretty pattern, & will wash -

I was sorry about your apron, but there were very few of them; only two unsold, & they were short, so I did not get one - I was truly sorry you could not have seen the children's aprons, there were such pretty patterns - I thought there would be a good many left I could have brought in to you, but they are all gone - And such pretty baby things! Embroidered flannels & cackets, & knit jackets & under-jackets, & pretty dresses, &c. &c. - There is one dress left, I believe, a red cacher-